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SUBJ: VICE PRESIDENT'S INTEREST IN VISIT OF FORMER PRESIDENT  
ROMULO BETANCOURT

REF: STATE 060948

1. EX-PRESIDENT BETANCOURT SENT HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY TO SEE ME THIS MORNING, ALONG WITH A PERSONAL NOTE. HE DEEPLY APPRECIATED THE VICE PRESIDENT'S GENEROUS INVITATION BUT HAS NOW DECIDED THAT HE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE OR GO TO WASHINGTON IN APRIL. HE HAS SO INFORMED AMERICAN UNIVERSITY.

2. BETANCOURT'S WIFE RECENTLY LOST BOTH OF HER PARENTS AND THE FAMILY HAS BEEN IN DEEP MOURNING. BETANCOURT HAS REFUSED ALL ENGAGEMENTS, INCLUDING NOTABLY THE PRESIDENT'S DINNER FOR THE SECRETARY LAST MONTH. HE DOES INTEND TO TAKE HIS WIFE TO THE U.S. DURING APRIL, BUT PLANS A "COMPLETELY PRIVATE TRIP" IN THE INTERESTS OF HER HEALTH AND EMOTIONAL CONDITION. HE SENDS HIS WARM REGARDS TO THE VICE PRESIDENT.  
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